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JUDGE:

RE: Speaking Invitation  
 "FYI: The Emerging Information Age"  
 American History Museum  
 Smithsonian Institution  
 Washington, D.C.  
 Late April

You have been invited to present 15 minutes of remarks at a luncheon in late April at the American History Museum. The suggested topic is the impact of information technologies on both criminology and intelligence. Roger Kennedy, the Director of the American History Museum, and Robert Adams, Secretary of the Museum, are co-sponsoring the luncheon and they have extended the invitation.

Your remarks would complement the new exhibit about the history of information processing and its social impacts. The exhibit, entitled "FYI: The Emerging Information Age," will open in March, 1990, and will be the largest exhibit in the history of the museum. Since the subject is too large to cover every change that this technology has brought, the museum has chosen to exhibit representative stories. One of these is the FBI e.g. the automated fingerprint catalogue.

You indicated in your note that this would be an interesting one to do. However, you are already scheduled for five outside speaking engagements for the month of April and since criminology is more of an FBI than a CIA issue, I recommend that you decline this invitation and have attached a letter for your signature.

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Secretary Robert McC. Adams  
Smithsonian Institution  
Washington, D.C. 20560

Dear Bob:

I appreciate your invitation to address those who are working with you on your new exhibit. Unfortunately, I am already committed to several speaking engagements of long standing. The exhibit on information processing sounds interesting and it is certainly an important topic for our time. Thank you for thinking of me and I will look forward to hearing about the progress of your timely and, I predict, highly successful exhibit.

Warmest regards and best wishes for every success.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Bill

William H. Webster  
Director of Central Intelligence



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*Washington, D.C. 20560*  
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March 17, 1988

Judge William Webster  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Bill:

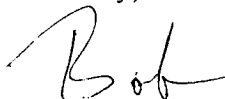
Roger Kennedy, Director of the American History Museum, and I are currently overseeing the development of an exciting, new exhibition about the history of information processing and its social impacts. We think it is a watershed in both education and the museum process. Entitled "FYI: The Emerging Information Age", this permanent exhibition will open in March of 1990 and will be our first fully interactive exhibition, with many interconnected "hands-on" stations, linked inside and outside of the Museum.

This topic is too expansive for us to cover *every* change wrought by the impact of information technologies over the last 150 years, so we have chosen to exhibit representative stories. We are especially focusing on areas that affect the everyday lives of our visitors. One of these stories is about the FBI. As you know, automated fingerprint cataloguing in the early 1970's was the start of truly remarkable advances in the marriage of computing, communications and criminology. The chief curator and project manager of "FYI" have been working closely with people at the Bureau who have been very enthusiastic about collaborating with us in this effort.

Every year Roger and I sponsor a luncheon to which we invite persons working with us on this project. Our guests include intellectual contributors, corporate executives and sometimes members of Congress. Our goal is to give our colleagues and constituents an opportunity to review our work. We always have a speaker who can talk from his or her own perspective about something we will highlight in this exhibition. We would be very honored if you would consider attending this luncheon to speak to the group about the impact of these technologies on both criminology and intelligence.

Desiring to coordinate with your busy schedule, we have not set a fixed date for this event, but we would like to convene the group in late April. As former Director of the FBI and current Director of the CIA, your perspective could add a valuable dimension to our work in progress. I look forward to hearing from you soon, hoping that you can accept our invitation.

Sincerely,



Robert McC. Adams  
Secretary